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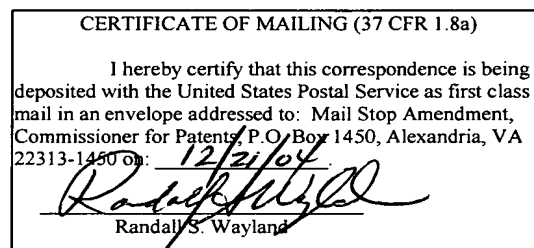
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 23, 2004, please amend the above-identified as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 13 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.